

# Integrated Solid Waste Management Master Plan

Net Meeting - Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> Needs Assessment Technical Memorandum Overview

# Net meeting agenda

## **Net meeting goals**

- Review major findings of the Tech Memo
- Review Table of Contents and structure of the Tech Memo to aid review

## Issues to be covered today

- Where we are in the planning process
- Needs Assessment Tech Memo
  - System overview
  - Evaluation of initiatives
  - Recommendations
  - Policy and program costs
  - Facility costs
- Workshop/Charrette Process November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

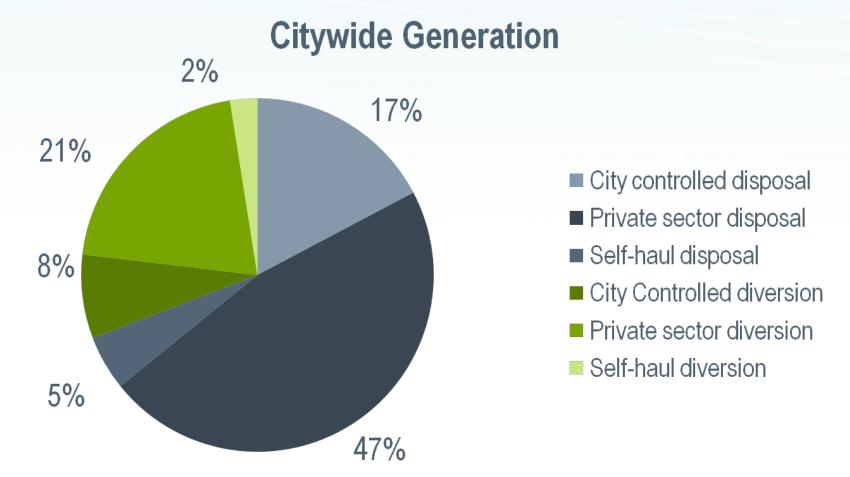


# Where we are in the planning process

- Zero waste strategic plan 2008
- Master plan scoping meetings summer 2009
- Preliminary research workshop August 2010
  - Private Sector Assessment
  - Methods for Improving Local Markets
- Needs assessment workshop/charrette November 2010
  - System overview
  - Evaluation of initiatives
  - Recommendations
- Draft Master Plan March 2011
  - Financial and funding plan
  - Implementation plan



# Systems overview



Based on City data and statewide generation estimates

#### **Evaluation of initiatives**

## 30 <u>existing</u> initiatives, including:

- Zero waste strategic plan
- Green events
- Construction and demolition debris recycling
- Household hazardous waste collection
- WasteSMART and Waste
   Reduction Assistance program
- Long-term composting facilities and services
- Transfer station requirements

# 28 <u>new</u> initiatives, including:

- New green events ordinance
- Changes to the rate structure
- Yard trimmings collection modifications
- Litter Abatement Division collection modifications
- New eco-industrial parks
- New materials recovery facilities
- New solid waste facilities and technologies

# Policy and program recommendations

# New recycling ordinance

- Include all generators
- Provide social marketing, education and enforcement
- Include all recyclables and compostable materials
- Phase organics out of landfills

## New green events ordinance

- Require all events to recycle and compost
- Provide technical assistance
- Refer event organizers for events that are not City-sponsored to private sector service providers



# Policy and program recommendations (cont.)

- Additions to recycling & reuse services
  - Increase frequency of collection
  - Add materials
  - Expand to all City customers
- Construction & demolition debris recycling
  - Require all loads to be processed
- Household hazardous waste collection
  - Provide on-call door-to-door pickup
  - Consider co-locating HHW facility at a future north area resource recovery park or City yard
- New composting incentive program
  - Expand pilot, targeting 10% of all customers

# Policy and program recommendations (cont.)

## Partnerships with other City departments

- Form inter-departmental green team
- Facilitate partnerships and cooperation
- Include City facilities in mandatory recycling ordinance

# Yard trimmings collection modifications

- Provide collection carts
- Add food scraps and compostable paper
- Expand to all City customers

#### Litter Abatement Division collection modifications

- Transition to on-call bulk item collection
- Partner with non-profits for repair and reuse
- Provide recycling bins adjacent to litter cans

# Policy and program recommendations (cont.)

#### Customer incentives to reduce waste

- Pilot recycle bank
- Pilot social marketing campaigns
- Invest in "culture change" outreach and education campaigns

#### Product bans or other EPR initiatives

- Provide staff support to Texas Product Stewardship Council
- Consider local bans (non-recyclable/non-compostable takeout containers, single-use bags)
- Consider local takeback requirements (pharmaceuticals, sharps)

# Policy and program costs

| Initiative   | Staffing<br>Needs | Staffing Costs | Other Program Costs | Total Annual<br>Costs |
|--|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| New recycling ordinance                            | 11                | \$581,000      | \$124,000           | \$705,000             |
| New green events ordinance                         | 0.5               | \$52,000       | \$500               | \$42,500              |
| Additional recycling and reuse services            |                   |                | \$2,760,000         | \$2,760,000           |
| C&D debris recycling                               | 2                 | \$137,000      |                     | \$137,000             |
| Household hazardous waste collection               |                   |                | \$1,100,000         | \$1,100,000           |
| New composting incentive program                   |                   |                | \$285,000           | \$285,000             |
| Employee & equipment service center                |                   |                | \$120,000           | \$120,000             |
| Partnerships with other city departments           | 0.5               | \$42,000       |                     | \$42,000              |
| Yard trimmings collection modifications            |                   |                | \$2,856,000         | \$2,856,000           |
| Litter Abatement Division collection modifications | 1                 | \$44,000       | \$73,000            | \$117,000             |
| Customer incentives to reduce waste                |                   |                | \$1,600,000         | \$1,600,000           |
| Product bans or other EPR initiatives              | 1.5               | \$106,000      | \$15,000            | \$121,000             |
| Total  | 16.5              | \$962,000      | \$8,933,500         | \$9,895,500           |

# Facility recommendations

## Clean Material Recovery facility

- Enter into long-term contracts for City-controlled tons
- Support development of multiple facilities

# Construction & Demolition facility

Certify private facilities pursuant to C&D ordinance requirements

## Composting facility

- Pursue expansion of acreage and materials accepted at Hornsby Bend
- Enter into long-term contracts with private facilities

# Mixed materials processing facility

Consider supporting future development for City-controlled tons

# Facility recommendations (cont.)

## Resource recovery park

- Support co-location of resource recovery parks at private facilities and existing City facilities
- Develop basis of design

# Bulk item receiving facility

Use existing City facilities



# Facility needs

| Facility Type   | Tons Pe       | er Year        | Tons Pe | r Day | Average  |     | facilities<br>eded | Net New<br>Facilities<br>Needed |
|---|---------------|----------------|---------|-------|----------|-----|--------------------|---------------------------------|
|   | Min           | Max            | Min     | Max   | TPD      | Min | Max                |                                 |
| Single Stream MRF   | 244,000       | 569,000        | 800     | 1,900 | 800      | 1   | 2                  | 0                               |
| C&D Facility  | 34,000        | 83,000         |         |       |          | 0   | 1                  | 0                               |
| Composting Facility - combination of aerobic & anaerobic facilities | 332,000       | 779,000        | 1,100   | 2,600 | 1,000    | 1   | 3                  | 0                               |
| Mixed Material Processing Facility                                  | 148,000       | 340,000        | 500     | 1,100 | 500      | 1   | 2                  | 2                               |
| Resource Recovery Parks Bulk Item Receiving Facility                | 75,000<br>300 | 173,000<br>800 |         | 600   | 200<br>5 | 2   | 3                  | 1                               |
| Disposal capacity for residual waste                                | 212,000       | 480,000        | 700     | 1,600 | 3,000    | 0   | 1                  | 0                               |

# Facility costs

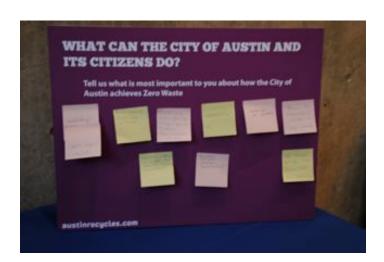
| Facility Type                      | Assumed Daily Ave Incoming Tonnage (tons/day) | Estimated Capital<br>Cost | Estimated Total Tip Fee (\$/ton) | Estimated Net Tip<br>Fee (\$/ton) |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                    | , , ,   |                           | , , ,                            | Deducting                         |
|                                    |   |                           |                                  | revenues for                      |
|                                    |   |                           |                                  | recyclables,                      |
|                                    |   |                           |                                  | usually net positive              |
|                                    |   |                           |                                  | revenues of about                 |
| Single stream MRF                  | 800   | \$35 to \$55 million      | \$65 to \$85                     | \$5 to \$20 per ton               |
| C&D facility                       | 500   | \$5 to \$25 million       | \$60 to \$80                     | \$35 to \$45                      |
| Composting facility - aerobic      | 1,000   | \$10 to \$15 million      | \$40 to \$60                     | \$30 to \$50                      |
| Composting facility - anaerobic    | 500   | \$150 to \$200 million    | \$100 to \$130                   | \$75 to \$100                     |
| Mixed material processing facility | 500   | \$25 to \$50 million      | \$50 to \$75                     | \$35 to \$60                      |
|                                    |   |                           |                                  | Could be net                      |
|                                    |   |                           | Varies on the                    | revenues for some                 |
|                                    |   | Up to \$10 million        | operation and                    | materials and net                 |
|                                    |   | depending upon the        | different                        | fees on other; it                 |
|                                    |   | design & what             | functions and                    | depends on the                    |
|                                    |   | functions are             | commodities                      | function &                        |
| Resource recovery parks            | 200   | included                  | handled                          | commodity                         |
| Bulk item receiving facility       | n/a   | n/a                       | n/a                              | n/a                               |

# Diversion by initiative

| Initiative  | Tons      | Percent<br>Diversion |
|---|-----------|----------------------|
| New recycling ordinance   | 285,600   | 19.8%                |
| Changes to the rate structure                                       | 153,400   | 10.6%                |
| Additions to recycling and reuse services                           | 40,100    | 2.8%                 |
| Add materials to blue bin   |           |                      |
| Provide carts for recycling   |           |                      |
| Provide carts for yard trimmings/organics                           |           |                      |
| Collecting recyclables weekly instead of bi-weekly                  |           |                      |
| C&D debris recycling  | 34,200    | 2.4%                 |
| New composting incentive program                                    | 200       | 0.0%                 |
| Resource recovery parks   | 75,300    | 5.2%                 |
| Mixed material processing   | 148,100   | 10.2%                |
| Yard trimmings collection operations modifications  Add food scraps | 6,000     | 0.4%                 |
| Litter Abatement Division collection operations modifications       | 300       | 0.0%                 |
| SWS Department new personnel policies                               | 800       | 0.1%                 |
| Customer incentives to reduce waste                                 | 19,800    | 1.4%                 |
| Product bans and other EPR  | 24,100    | 1.7%                 |
| Sub-total   | 787,900   | 54.5%                |
| Existing Diversion  | 445,300   | 30.8%                |
| Total Diversion   | 1,233,200 | 85.3%                |

# Workshop 2 - Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>

- Recap of findings from Needs Assessment Tech Memo
- Review of regional infrastructure
- Q&A
- Identification of issues to be discussed in small groups on Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>



# Charrette Process - Wednesday, November 17th

## **Daytime meetings**

- Meet in small groups to have focused discussion on specific initiatives
- Sign up for specific subjects
  - Discuss policy and program recommendations
  - Discuss facility needs and recommendations
  - Discuss program and facility costs
- Provide feedback to City

## **Evening recap**

Report back from City on stakeholder feedback and modifications to recommendations

## Other opportunities for feedback

Provide comments via email at swsmasterplan@ci.austin.tx.us

# Thank you!

For more information on Austin Zero Waste:

www.ci.austin.tx.us/sws/zerowaste.htm

